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Test #2

60 minutes

This examination consists of two parts. Part A contains short, routine questions, which you should answer fully but succinctly in the space provided. The questions in Part B are more difficult, and some are designed to challenge you. Fully answer all questions of Part B in the space provided.

If you require more than the allotted space then use the back of the question sheet.

You should complete Part A rapidly, and save about half your time to answer the questions in Part B. Part A is worth 18 points and Part B is worth 12 points. Remember to print your name and student ID in the spaces provided in both Part A and Part B.

The points for each problem are indicated in the right margin.

Permitted resources: none. No books, no notes of any kind, no calculators, no electronic devices of any kind.

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PART A. Fully answer the following questions in the space provided.

Question A1. Find the open interval of convergence of the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^2}{3^n} (x+1)^n$. 3

$$R = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1^2}{3^1} \cdot \frac{3^{n+1}}{(1+1)^2} = 3 \text{ so the open interval of convergence is } (-4, 2)$$

Question A2. Find the Taylor series up to and including order three (that is up to and including terms like $(x - \pi/4)^3$) of $f(x) = x \sin x$ centered at $x = \pi/4$. 3

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x \sin x & f\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \\ f'(x) &= \sin x + x \cos x & f'\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ f''(x) &= 2 \cos x - x \sin x & f''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= 2 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ f'''(x) &= -3 \sin x - x \cos x & f'''\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) &= -3 \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(3 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \\ f(x) &= \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \left(1 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} \left(2 - \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{6\sqrt{2}} \left(3 + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) \left(x - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)^3 + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Question A3. Find the Taylor series centered at $x = 0$ of $f(x) = (1+x)^{-1/3} + (1-x)^{-1/3}$.

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$$(1+x)^{-1/3} = 1 + \frac{(-1/3)}{1!}x + \frac{(-1/3)(-4/3)}{2!}x^2 + \frac{(-1/3)(-4/3)(-7/3)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$(1-x)^{-1/3} = 1 - \frac{(-1/3)}{1!}x + \frac{(-1/3)(-4/3)}{2!}x^2 - \frac{(-1/3)(-4/3)(-7/3)}{3!}x^3 + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^{-1/3} + (1-x)^{-1/3} = 2 + 2 \frac{(1)(4)}{3^2 \cdot 2!}x^2 + 2 \frac{(1)(4)(7)(10)}{3^4 \cdot 4!}x^4 + \dots + \frac{2(1 \cdot 4 \cdot 7 \cdot 10 \dots (6m-5)(6m-2))}{3^{2m} (2m)!}x^{2m} + \dots$$

Question A4. Find the radius of convergence of the power series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{4^n} x^{2n+1}$.

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Let $u = x^2$ so the series is $x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{4^n} u^n$. This radius of convergence of the u series is $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{4^n} \cdot \frac{4^{n+1}}{n+1} = 4$, so this converges for $-4 < u < 4$

$$\Leftrightarrow |x^2| < 4 \Leftrightarrow |x| < 2. \text{ So } R = 2.$$

Question A5. Beginning with the Taylor series of e^x centered at $t = 0$, compute a series for the definite integral $\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$.

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$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx &= \int_0^1 \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{1!} + \frac{x^4}{2!} - \frac{x^6}{3!} + \dots \right) dx \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{3 \cdot 1!} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 2!} - \frac{1}{7 \cdot 3!} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{(2n+1)n!} \end{aligned}$$

Question A6. Compute the Taylor series of $f(x) = (1-x^2)^{1/3}(1+x)^{3/2}$ centered at $x = 0$, up to and including order 3.

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$$(1-x^2)^{1/3} = 1 - \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \dots$$

$$(1+x)^{3/2} = 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) x^2 + \frac{1}{6} \left(\frac{3}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{3}{8}x^2 - \frac{1}{16}x^3 + \dots$$

$$(1-x^2)^{1/3}(1+x)^{3/2} = 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \left(-\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{8} \right) x^2 + \left(-\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{16} \right) x^3 + \dots$$

$$= 1 + \frac{3}{2}x + \frac{1}{24}x^2 - \frac{9}{16}x^3 + \dots$$

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PART B. Fully answer the following questions in the space provided.

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Question B1. Divide the Taylor series for $\sin x$ at $x = 0$ by the Taylor series for $\cos x$ at $x = 0$, and using this, calculate the limit

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$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x - x}{x^3}.$$

Do not use L'Hospital's rule.

$$\frac{1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \dots}{x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots}$$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tan x - x}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{x + \frac{x^3}{3} + \dots - x}{x^3} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\frac{1}{3} + \dots}{1} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Question B2. Write down the Taylor expansion of e^x about $x = 0$. How many terms of this series are required to compute, for any $x \in [-2, 0]$, the value of e^x to an accuracy of .05?

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$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1!} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$|R_n| = \left| \frac{e^x}{(n+1)!} x^{n+1} \right| \leq \frac{1 \cdot 2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} = \frac{2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$$

n	$\frac{2^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}$
1	$\frac{2^2}{2!} = 2$
2	$\frac{2^3}{3!} = \frac{4}{3}$
3	$\frac{2^4}{4!} = \frac{2}{3}$
4	$\frac{2^5}{5!} = \frac{4}{15}$
5	$\frac{2^6}{6!} = \frac{4}{45} > \frac{1}{20}$
6	$\frac{2^7}{7!} = \frac{8}{305} < \frac{1}{20}$

So 7 terms are required, because the truncation is at order 6 and there is a constant term.

Question B3. Give examples of power series which satisfy each of the separate conditions (a), (b), (c), (d). Note: you need not use the same power series for different conditions! These are four different sub-questions.

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(a) A power series that converges at $x = 1$ and at $x = 2$ and has radius of convergence 1.

(b) A power series which has radius of convergence $\pi = 3.14159 \dots$.

(c) Two power series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n x^n$ and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n x^n$, each with radius of convergence 1, such that the power series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n) x^n$ has an infinite radius of convergence.

(d) A power series whose radius of convergence is zero.

(a)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (x - 3/2)^n$$

(b)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^n}{\pi^n}$$

(c) $a_n = 1, b_n = -1$ so
$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n + b_n) x^n = 0 + 0 \cdot x + 0 \cdot x^2 + \dots$$

which has $R = \infty$

(d)
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} n! x^n$$